## SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



DuWayne Gregory, Presiding Officer

## **Press Release**

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## PRESIDING OFFICER GREGORY HOSTS COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPO



Amityville, NY – With a goal of raising awareness of positive programs available for youth, Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory hosted a Community Services Expo in Wyandanch on Tuesday, Jan. 26.

The Presiding Officer was joined at the Wyandanch-Wheatley Heights Ambulance Corp. by church and community leaders who met and collaborated with representatives from over 30 community organizations, government offices and nonprofit agencies with a goal to raise awareness of youth services and programs available and ultimately stem violence in the area. Representatives from a wide array of organizations shared information with residents and each other about the vital youth services they offer.

"The community expo was a great success," said Presiding Officer Gregory. "As the community comes together to tackle concerns of violence in the community it is important to have all stakeholders at the table."

Agencies in attendance included the Suffolk County Police Department, Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Community Development Corp. of Long Island, Long Island Head Start, Wyandanch Community Resource Center, Wyandanch Family Life Center/Youth Center and Wyandanch Mothers for Change among numerous other local businesses and community organizations.

"This event was much needed in our community," said Phyllis Henry of Wyandanch Mothers for Change. "I was happy to see the huge turnout of community stakeholders who came out to share resources available to our youth."

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